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FROM WOODCOCK, PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, US, VN
SUBJ: FAMILY REUNIONS

1. DURING CONTACTS WITH COMMISSION MEMBERS AND STAFF IN HANOI, UNHCR REP CASEL REPORTED SRV OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN MORE FORTHCOMING IN RECENT WEEKS REGARDING DEPARTURE OF VIETNAMESE RELATIVES OF AMCITS AND OTHERS IN U.S. CASELLA SAID HE EXPECTS TO HAVE SUCCESS IN NEAR FUTURE IN ARRANGING FOR CHILDREN OF AMCITS TO DEPART, PARTICULARLY IN CASE OF RICHARD, THE NINE-YEAR-OLD AMCIT SON OF DR. BA IN BALTIMORE, ABOUT WHOM UNHCR USG, AND RED CROSS HAVE HAD NUMEROUS INQUIRIES. CASELLA SAID UNHCR HOPES TO ASSEMBLE SMALL GROUP OF SUCH CHILDREN TO FLY FROM SAIGON AS A GROUP.

2. SINCE ICRC REP WAS ABSENT FROM HANOI TO ARRANGE DEPARTURE OF TAIWANESE AND OTHERS FROM SAIGON, COMMISSION STAFF LEFT COPY OF RED CROSS LIST OF WIVES, FIANCES, AND CONFIDENTIAL

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CHILDREN OF AMCITS WITH UNHCR OFFICE, TO BE WORKED ON WITH ICRC, VIETNAMESE RED CROSS, AND APPROPRIATE SRV OFFICIALS. CASELLA SAID CONSULAR DEPT OF FOREIGN MINISTRY IS THE KEY DECISION-MAKING OFFICE ON THIS SUBJECT, TO WHICH UNHCR WAS ADDRESSING ITS INQUIRIES, AND FROM WHOM IT HAD GAINED IMPRESSION OF MORE FORTHCOMING ATTITUDE.

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3. REGARDING US VISAS, COMMISSION STAFF NOTED THIS DID NOT ARISE FOR AMCIT CHILDREN, SOME OF WHOM HAVE US PASSPORTS. FOR OTHERS ON RED CROSS LISTS, STAFF NOTED THESE HAD BEEN VERIFIED BY ARC AND RECEIVED NAME CHECKS AND PRELIMINARY APPROVALS BY DEPT. ALTHOUGH VISAS CANNOT BE ISSUED IN ADVANCE, WE REPEATED ASSURANCES OF MAXIMUM EFFORTS TO PROCESS THESE CASES EXPEDITIOUSLY ONCE THEY ARE PRESENTED TO US CONSULAR OFFICIALS IN BANGKOK OR ELSEWHERE.

4. COPY OF RED CROSS LISTS WILL BE POUCHED TO BANGKOK UPON COMMISSION'S RETURN TO WASHINGTON.
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